



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2004 to 12/31/2004

Bighorn National Forest

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Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Projects Occurring on more than one Region					
Northern Rockies Lynx Amendment EIS	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Land management planning	In Progress: DEIS notice in FR 01/16/2004	Exptd:04/2005	05/2005	Joan Dickerson (406)329-3314 jdickerson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Management Guidelines for Management of Canadian Lynx on certain lands under the authority fo the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management. WEB LINK - http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/planning/lynx.html				
	Location: UNIT - Idaho Panhandle National Forest Units, Wallace Ranger District, Fernan Ranger District, St. Maries Ranger District, Sandpoint Ranger District, Clearwater National Forest Units, Palouse Ranger District, North Fork Ranger District, Lochsa Ranger District, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest Units, Wise River Ranger District, Butte Ranger District, Madison Ranger District, Jefferson Ranger District, Bitterroot National Forest Units, Darby Ranger District, Sula Ranger District, Beartooth Ranger District, Sioux Ranger District, Ashland Ranger District, Swan Lake Ranger District, Hungry Horse Ranger District, Glacier View Ranger District, Tally Lake Ranger District, Big Timber Ranger District, Livingston Ranger District, Bozeman Ranger District, Hebgen Lake Ranger District, Townsend Ranger District, Helena Ranger District, Lincoln Ranger District, Kootenai National Forest Units, Libby Ranger District, Cabinet Ranger District, Lewis And Clark National Forest Units, Rocky Mountain Ranger District, White Sulpher Springs Ranger District, Missoula Ranger District, Plains/Thompson Falls Ranger District, Seeley Lake Ranger District, Superior Ranger District, Salmon River Ranger District, Red River Ranger District, Moose Creek Ranger District, Bighorn National Forest Units, Powder River Ranger District, Medicine Wheel Ranger District, Tongue Ranger District, Clarks Fork Ranger District, Greybull Ranger District, Washakie Ranger District, Ashley National Forest Units, Vernal Ranger District, Roosevelt Ranger District, Duchesne Ranger District, Bridger-Teton National Forest Units, Kemmerer Ranger District, Greys River Ranger District, Jackson Ranger District, Salmon-Challis National Forest Units, Salmon-Cobalt Ranger District, Challis Ranger District, Middle Fork Ranger District, North Fork Ranger District, Palisades Ranger District, Teton Basin Ranger District, Belt Creek Ranger District, Pintler Ranger District, Custer National Forest Units, Musselshell Ranger District, Lost River Ranger District, Avery Ranger District, Bonners Ferry Ranger District, Powell Ranger District , Wisdom Ranger District, Stevensville Ranger District, Flathead National Forest Units, Gallatin National Forest Units, Helena National Forest Units, Fortine Ranger District, Judith Ranger District, Ninemile Ranger District, Clearwater Ranger District, Paintrock Ranger District, Wapiti Ranger District, Flaming Gorge Ranger District, Big Piney Ranger District, Yankee Fork Ranger District, Lewis And Clark Interpretive Center, Buffalo Ranger District, Priest Lake Ranger District, Dillon Ranger District, West Fork Ranger District, Spotted Bear Ranger District, Gardiner Ranger District, Rexford Ranger District, Lolo National Forest Units, Nez Perce National Forest Units, Shoshone National Forest Units, Pinedale Ranger District, Leadore Ranger District, Caribou-Targhee National Forest Units, Three Rivers Ranger District, Wind River Ranger District, Dubois Ranger District, Ashton/Island Park. STATE - Wyoming, Utah, Montana, Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - Various. Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah.				

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Bighorn National Forest Units		Bighorn National Forest		R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Bighorn National Forest Plan Revision EIS	- Land management planning	In Progress: DEIS notice in FR 07/02/2004	Exptd:09/2005	10/2005	Bernie Bornong (307) 674-2685 bbornong@fs.fed.us
	Description: Revision of the Land and Resource Management Plan for the Bighorn National Forest located in Sheridan, Johnson, Big Horn, and Washakie Counties, Wyoming. . WEB LINK - http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/bighorn/projects/planrevision/				
	Location: UNIT - Bighorn National Forest Units. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Big Horn, Johnson, Sheridan, Washakie. LEGAL - Sheridan, Johnson, Big Horn, and Washakie Counties. The entirety of the Bighorn National Forest, located in north central Wyoming..				

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Powder River Ranger District		Bighorn National Forest		R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Battle Park Cattle & Horse, Mistymoon Sheep & Goat Allotment Management Plan Revision EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping start 08/20/2004	Exptd:09/2005	09/2005	Scott Gall (307) 684-7806 sgall@fs.fed.us
	Description: The purpose of the EA is to evaluate whether livestock grazing will continue on two allotments on the Powder River Ranger District and, if it is to continue, how the grazing will be conducted. . WEB LINK - http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/bighorn/projects/projectfiles/battle_misty/index.shtml				
	Location: UNIT - Powder River Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Big Horn. Southwest part of Bighorn National Forest (south portion of Paintrock Watershed), Big Horn County Wyoming. .				
Clear/Crazy Designated Motorized Trail System Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Road management - Recreation management	In Progress: 215 Comment period legal notice 05/17/2004	Exptd:11/2004	04/2005	Craig Cope (307) 684-1100 ccccope@fs.fed.us
	Description: Purpose of this project is to designate an ORV trail system in the Project Area in conjunction with the prohibition of off-road/off-trail motorized travel.. WEB LINK - http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/bighorn/projects/projectfiles/clearcrazy/				
	Location: UNIT - Powder River Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Johnson. LEGAL - The project area is in portions Township 47 N, Ranges 84 and 85 West; 48 N, Ranges 84 and 85 W; 49 N, Ranges 83, 84 and 85 W; and 50 North, Ranges 83 and 84 West.. east of the hydrologic divide of the Big Horn Mountains and south of South Clear Creek, Johnson County, WY all within the Bighorn National Forest. The project area encompasses just over 88,000 acres..				
Southwest Fuels Reduction EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping start 12/09/2002	Exptd:03/2005	04/2005	Jon Warder (307) 674-2631 jwarder@fs.fed.us
	Description: Prescribed/mechanical fuels treatment				
	Location: UNIT - Powder River Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Johnson, Washakie. Southwest of Meadowlark Lake. Washakie and Johnson Counties. Powder River Ranger District. Bighorn National Forest..				
Tie Hack Reservoir Land Exchange DM	- Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping start 01/30/2004 Estimated Scoping start 02/2004	Exptd:11/2004	01/2005	Gayle Laurent (307) 674-2656 glaurent@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to exchange federal lands in Johnson County, Wyoming for non-federal lands in Crook County, Wyoming.				
	Location: UNIT - Powder River Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Crook, Johnson. Johnson and Crook Counties, Wyoming. Powder River Ranger District, Bighorn National Forest. Southwest of Meadowlark Lake..				

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West Ten Phase II DM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Forest products 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 11/2004	Exptd:04/2005	04/2005	Mark Booth (307) 684-7806 mbooth@fs.fed.us
	Description: Fuels reduction project around the developed area in the West Ten corridor. Anticipated size is 500 acres or less. Mechanical treatment will be method. Only burning will be activity fuels. Potential stewardship contract project.				
	Location: UNIT - Powder River Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Big Horn. LEGAL - T49N, R86W, Approx Sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, 32. Developed area of the West Ten Corridor.				

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Medicine Wheel/Paintrock Ranger District		Bighorn National Forest		R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Bald Mountain Salvage DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Forest products	Completed	Exptd:05/2004 Actual: 08/19/2004	12/2004	Megan Smith (307) 674-2629 mhsmith@fs.fed.us
	Description: Blowdown and bark beetle-infested spruce treatment. 250 acres sanitation salvage (mechanical and chemical treatment).				
	Location: UNIT - Medicine Wheel Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Big Horn, Sheridan. LEGAL - T56N, R91W Section 28 to 32; and T56N, R92W, Section 25.. Near Bald Mountain Campground. Sheridan and Big Horn Counties, Wyoming. Medicine Wheel - Paintrock Ranger District. Bighorn National Forest..				

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Bench Restoration Project DM	- Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping start 09/22/2004	Exptd:10/2004	12/2004	Scott Hill (307) 674-2649 shill02@fs.fed.us
	Description: Treatment of 1000 acres in the wildland urban interface. Combination of mechanical and burning.				
	Location: UNIT - Paintrock Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Big Horn. Shell Canyon. Big Horn County, Wyoming. Medicine Wheel - Paintrock Ranger District, Bighorn National Forest. .				
Bench Trail Reconstruction DM	- Recreation management - Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2005	Exptd:03/2005	05/2005	Loren Poppert (307)684-9861 lpoppert@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-routes and reconstruction on the bottom two miles of the Bench Trail #184.				
	Location: UNIT - Paintrock Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Big Horn. LEGAL - T53N R90W S 10 & 11. Bench Trail out of Post Creek Picnic Ground (2 mile section).				
Paintrock Allotment Management Plan EA	- Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Special use management - Grazing management	Completed	Exptd:06/01/2004 Actual: 09/09/2004	06/2005	Homer Morris (307) 548-6541 hmorris@fs.fed.us
	Description: Includes planning for associated cattle allotments and other range and watershed improvements.				
	Location: UNIT - Paintrock Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Big Horn. LEGAL - T52N, R88W. Big Horn County, Wyoming. Medicine Wheel - Paintrock Ranger District, Bighorn National Forest..				
Ranger Creek Guest Ranch Expansion EA	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 08/11/2004	Exptd:11/2004	05/2005	Dave Sisk (307) 548-6541 dsisk@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analysis and approval for the expansion of the Ranger Creek Guest Ranch				
	Location: UNIT - Paintrock Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Big Horn. LEGAL - T53N, R88W, Sec 30 . Forest System Road 17 (Paintrock Road).				

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Shell Falls Visitor Center Reconstruction DM	- Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 12/2004	Exptd:04/2005	06/2005	Loren Poppert (307)684-9861 lpoppert@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project is a reconstruction in place of Shell Falls Visitor Center.				
	Location: UNIT - Paintrock Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Big Horn. Existing Shell Falls Visitor Center site. Highway 14, Big Horn County Medicine Wheel Paintrock Ranger District. Bighorn National Forest. .				

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Tongue Ranger District		Bighorn National Forest		R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
EA Amendments to Transportation Systems EA	- Road management - Recreation management - Forest products	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 11/2004	Exptd:05/2005	08/2005	Craig Yancey (307) 674-2680 cyancey@fs.fed.us
	Description: Amend the Little Goose EA (1997 DN/FONSI) and the Twin Nickel EA (1991 DN/FONSI) with changes to their transportation systems to resolve current and future issues.				
	Location: UNIT - Tongue Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sheridan. LEGAL - Nickel Creek area - Sec 28, T56N, R88W; Park Reservoir area - Sec 15, T53N, R86W. Nickel Creek area and Park Reservoir area.				
Riley Point Fire Reforestation Project DM	- Watershed management - Forest products	In Progress: Scoping start 04/17/2004	Exptd:11/2005	06/2006	Gregory Karow (307) 674-2688 gkarow@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project would plant seedlings of native tree species on approximately 800 acres. No new road construction would occur. Planting would occur over three years and occur in areas forested prior to the Riley Point Fire and not in meadows.. WEB LINK - http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/bighorn/projects/projectfiles/riley/riley_CE_DM.pdf				
	Location: UNIT - Tongue Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sheridan. LEGAL - 800 acres in Township 56N, R88W, Section 5 to 6; and Township 57N, R88W, Sections 32 to 34 of Sheridan County, 6th principal meridian. State of Wyoming.. Site of the Riley Point Fire, Tongue Ranger District, Bighorn National Forest. .				
Switchback Restoration Project DM	- Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping start 07/29/2004 Estimated Scoping start 08/2004	Exptd:12/2004	05/2005	Warren Roberts (307) 684-2863 wroberts@fs.fed.us
	Description: Fuels reduction along Highway 14 from the Forest boundary to Steamboat Point. Approximately 20 acres of hand thinning and piling and approximately 100 acres of prescribed fire				
	Location: UNIT - Tongue Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sheridan. LEGAL - Sec 15, 21 and 22, T56N, R87W.. Highway 14 on the face of the Bighorn mountains. From the Forest boundary to Steamboat Point..				
Tongue Allotment Management Plan EIS	- Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Grazing management	In Progress: FWS consultation completed 03/17/2004	Exptd:10/2004	05/2005	David Beard (307) 674-2689 dbeard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analysis on twenty-three grazing allotments (173,000 acres) to determine management of livestock and revision of allotment management plans in the Tongue River drainage.. WEB LINK - http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/bighorn/projects/projectfiles/tongueAMP/				
	Location: UNIT - Tongue Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sheridan. Sheridan County, Wyoming. Tongue Ranger District - North, South and Tongue River Watersheds..				

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Woodrock Project EIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Road management - Recreation management - Fuels management - Forest products 	In Progress: FWS consultation completed 03/17/2004	Exptd:12/2004	07/2005	Scott Hill (307) 674-2649 shill02@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed timber sale and travel management project on the Tongue Ranger District, Bighorn National Forest.. WEB LINK - http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/bighorn/projects/projectfiles/woodrock/woodrockdeis/				
	Location: UNIT - Tongue Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sheridan. LEGAL - T54N, R88W, Sec 1. East of Hwy 14 between Owen Creek CG and Granite Pass.. Sheridan County, Wyoming - Tongue Ranger District of the Bighorn National Forest..				

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